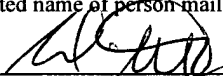


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entitled: **BIS-B-HYDROXYETHYL TEREPHTHALATE PRODUCTION PROCESS AND PURIFICATION PROCESS**

### New Application

## X Continuing Application

Continuation X Divisional Continuation-in-Part (CIP)  
of Patent Application Serial No. 09/622,518 filed August 17, 2000.

[Note: If priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 involves a series of respectively co-pending applications, then in this amendment identify each and its relationship to its immediate predecessor.]

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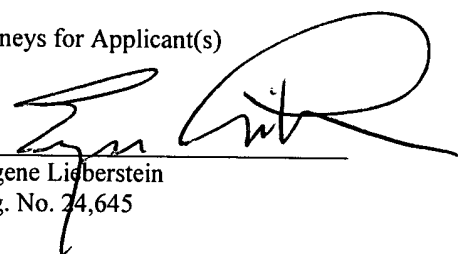
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